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A MOTHER'S LAMENTATION Gerelyn Magpayoy weeps over the body of her eldest son Ramgen Jose Bautista as the Revilla clan rallies around her during the burial rites on Wednesday at the family-owned Angelus Memorial Garden in Imus, Cavite province. At left is Sen. Bong Revilla.

Revillas: Unbelievable

'No one believed he was Charice's father'

By Maricar Cinco
Inquirer Southern Luzon

SAN PEDRO, Laguna—Many of his neighbors in Barangay Landayan here, some 30 kilometers south of Manila, didn't believe that Ricky Pempengco was the father of international pop star Charice.

"I myself couldn't believe he was Charice's father! I mean, 'Look at him!' He did not look like a father of someone popular we see on TV," said a woman, who asked not to be identified because she did not want to be accused of meddling in the affairs of the singer's family.

The neighbor said Ricky, 43, often visited his sister, Ruby, in St. Joseph village here.

Ricky and Charice's mother, Raquel, separated when

NO ONE / A15

Charice seeks justice for pa; police offer P200K reward / A15

PH ranks 8th among 135 on world gender equality

By Michelle V. Remo

THE PHILIPPINES, where women and men enjoy the same access to education, remains in the top 10 countries with the least gender gap, according to the 2011 Global Gender Gap rankings by the Geneva-based World Economic Forum.

From ninth place last year, the Philippines ranks eighth among 135 countries this year, with a score of 0.768.

The annual survey shows that four Nordic countries—Iceland, Norway, Finland and Sweden—lead the world again in promoting equality of the sexes. Other countries in the Top 10 are Ireland (5th), New Zealand (6th), Denmark (7th), Lesotho (9th) and Switzerland (10th).

PH RANKS / A7

'Praise God,' US doctors separate conjoined twins

PALO ALTO, California—US surgeons on Tuesday successfully separated conjoined 2-year-old girls born in the Philippines, drawing tears from their mother who praised God for keeping them alive.

A team of 20 doctors helped by 15-20 operating staff at Stanford University's Lucile Packard Children's Hospital worked for 10 hours to separate Angelina and Angelica Sabuco, who had spent all of their lives so far joined at the chest and abdomen.

"This is a dream come true,"

PRAISE GOD / A13



COVERING UP, NOT HIDING Former military comptroller Jacinto Ligot and his wife Erlinda appear at the Court of Appeals in Quezon City on Wednesday to post bail and avoid arrest.

Ligots: We, hiding? Post bail fresh from 'vacation'



By TJ Burgonio

THEY were vacationing somewhere while court sheriffs armed with arrest warrants went bananas looking for them just before the four-day holiday break.

Had former military comptroller Jacinto Ligot and his wife Erlinda been served the warrants, they would have spent All Saints' Day in jail.

Smiling and looking sheepish, the Ligots showed up at 11:30 a.m. yesterday straight from an "out of town trip," according to their lawyer, to post bail for four tax eva-

LIGOTS / A15

Mother: I did not raise them to kill each other

By Mike Morales

IMUS, Cavite—Overcast skies and a brass band set the somber mood at the funeral yesterday of Ramgen Jose Bautista, a scion of the Bautista-Revilla clan whose murder has been blamed on his siblings.

Echoing the grieving family's sentiment, Sen. Ramon "Bong" Revilla Jr. cast doubt on the conclusion of police investigators that Ramon Joseph "RJ" Bautista, 18, and Ma. Ramona Belen Bautista, 22, had masterminded the crime.

"[W]e are appealing, if it's possible, [for] a reinvestigation. It's unbelievable that [the crime] could be done by our siblings," the senator told reporters after the funeral. "The family thinks [the conclusion of the investigation] is unbelievable. They could not have possibly done it."

The music of the band drowned the wails of the mourners led by the mother, Genelyn Magpayoy, who had to lean on family members to keep her footing as she wept over the white casket bearing the body of her eldest son.

Among the mourners at the family-owned Angelus Memo-

REVILLAS / A14

Money never an issue for Revilla clan

By Marinel R. Cruz

MONEY is never an issue as far as former Sen. Ramon Revilla Sr. is concerned, the talent manager of his son and namesake said yesterday by way of explaining the P1-million monthly allowance he had reportedly been providing one of his children by one woman.

The actor-turned-politician, who is said to have fathered 80 children, made sure that their inheritance would be in identical amounts shortly after he fell seriously ill in 2008, according to TV host Lolit Solis.

"Everything was accounted

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LPG-FUELED TAXIS

Drivers, passengers: Something's very wrong

By Pocholo Concepcion
(First of a series)

SPECIAL REPORT

ALEXANDER de la Rosa started driving taxis for a living in 1983. At age 49, he says he's healthy and doesn't drink alcohol. "I smoke cigarettes, but not a lot."

Two years ago, he switched to driving a taxi that used LPG (liquefied petroleum gas) as fuel because it was a lot cheaper than regular gasoline. It was an experience, he told the Inquirer, that landed him in the hospital.

Alfonso Tamil has been a cab driver since 1965. He says he doesn't have any vice. At 67, he looks trim and fit—except that he seems to be catching his breath while talking.

"I got asthma because of driving an LPG taxi," he says, showing an antiasthma inhaler.

Francis Bueno used to drive an LPG taxi but quit after he noticed his throat always felt dry, his skin began to look rough, he had headaches and always was extremely exhausted. He was also losing weight.

Rolando Samonte, 39, drove

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Hunt continues for MILF leader

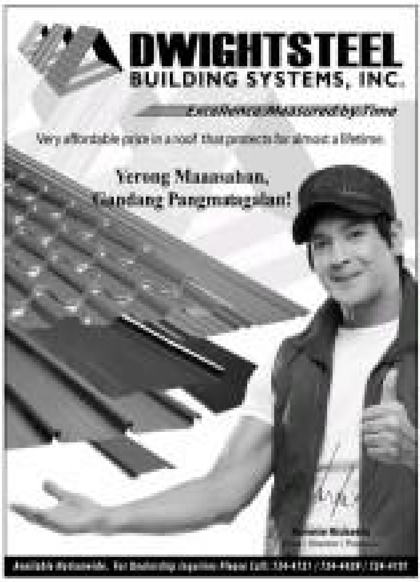
THE MILITARY yesterday said it will continue to hunt down a fugitive Muslim insurgent accused of beheading Marines after the secessionist Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF) refused to surrender Dan Laksaw Asnawi.



ARMORED Army vehicles roll into action.



MILF sincerity questioned



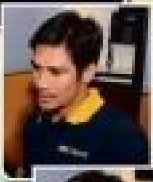
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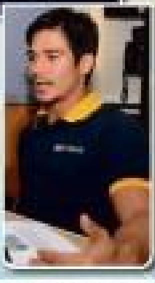
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Piolo's one and only...









Top-rate actor Piolo Pascual practices what he preaches as he admits he is a loyal client of BDO





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ULAP CONDEMNS SENSELESS KILLINGS IN MINDANAO

The 1.7million strong Union of Local Authorities of the Philippines (ULAP) is condemning, in the strongest possible terms, the rash of senseless killings in the Basilan-Zamboanga-Lanao del Norte areas.

Gov. Alfonso V. Umali, Jr., national president of the ULAP, is urging its perpetrators to put an immediate stop to these criminal and barbaric acts saying that if said acts continue, it will inevitably jeopardize our government's efforts towards attaining lasting peace and adversely impact not only on the country's image abroad but also the inflow of badly-needed foreign investments. Further and more significantly, the lives lost through these criminal acts can never be justified.

He is calling on all his colleagues in the local government units to extend full cooperation with all peace keeping agencies to identify, apprehend and put to justice the perpetrators of these atrocities. Of special concern that the ULAP National President is bringing to the Philippine National Police is the review and strict implementation of the licensing of guns to civilians. More importantly, he is asking the Agency to conduct a no-nonsense drive to speed up the confiscation of illegal firearms.

Exacerbating the problem is that what appears to be a rational approach in finding a solution through genuine, sincere dialogue and confidence-building measures is being beclouded by unfounded accusations and counteraccusations from both sides of the dialogue table. In addition, there are other quarters that are fanning the already frayed nerves by calling for unsolicited and impulsive shot-in-the-arm solutions. We should remember that sobriety and restraint are indispensable in addressing the roots of conflict in the region and achieving a holistic solution that will lead to lasting peace.

With the very unstable economic environment worldwide coupled with a bunch of security issues that the Pinoy Administration is confronted with: the decades-old communist insurgency problem, the unabated tension in the West Philippine sea, and the barely-holding ceasefire agreement with the Moro Islamic Liberation Front, the ULAP President is calling on all local government officials, national government agencies, peace negotiators of the government of the Republic of the Philippines and its counterparts in the Moro Islamic Liberation Front to support the 'ALL OUT JUSTICE" strategy of President Aquino. Indeed, there can be no peace without justice, the perpetrators must be held accountable.

Meanwhile, in the light of the military air strikes in the suspected lairs of these lawless elements, Hon. RicojudgeJanvier Echiverri, National President of the Liga ng mga Barangay sa Pilipinas, is urging the Armed Forces of the Philippines to ensure that the townfolks of nearby barangays are evacuated to safety prior to said airstrikes. He stresses the need to ensure that the barangay communities are spared from the trauma of war – specially the womenfolk and children who have neither the means nor the knowledge of protecting themselves from armed conflicts and related atrocities.

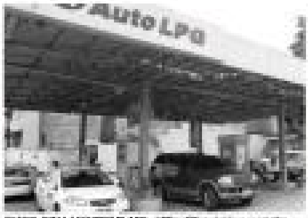
SIMPLY PUT, THE ULAP IS BATTING FOR THE PROSECUTION OF THE PERPETRATORS WHILE KEEPING THE AVENUES FOR DIALOGUE AND NEGOTIATIONS OPEN.

Gov. Umali and the rest of the members of the ULAP National Executive Board are highly hopeful that with the unmistakable directive of the President to use all government resources against all common criminals and rogue elements masquerading as lost commands of the MILF, peace and order will soon be restored in Mindanao. They similarly hope that the peace process initiatives coming from both sides will not be compromised.


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Ex-film producer: LPG cabs pose serious health concerns



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Countries in the bottom 10 are Nepal (126th), Oman (127th), Benin (128th), Morocco (129th), Cote d'Ivoire (130th), Saudi Arabia (131st), Mali (132nd), Pakistan (133rd), Chad (134th) and Yemen (135th).

Closing gender gap

The world rankings are aimed at increasing the awareness of countries on the importance of closing the gender gap, according to the World Economic Forum (WEF).

"A world where women make up less than 20 percent of the global decision-makers is a world that is missing a huge opportunity for growth and ignoring an untapped reservoir of potential," Klaus Schwab, WEF founder and chair, said in a statement.

The Philippines performed favorably in the four categories that determine gender gap. These are (1) educational attainment, (2) health and survival, (3) economic participation and opportunity, and (4) political empowerment.

The Philippines got the perfect score of 1, and thus grabbing the first rank, for the first two categories.

For the first category, the Philippines shares the top rank with [illegible] other countries, including the United States, the United Kingdom, France and Australia.

The Philippines' favorable performance in the first category comes amid official reports that the number of females who attend primary, secondary and tertiary education is about the same as that of males. (In certain levels, females outnumber males.)

Life expectancy

The country's top rank in the second category shows that women and men in the Philippines have just about the same life expectancy. Life expectancy is affected by various factors, such as disease, malnutrition and violence.

For the second category, the Philippines shares the top rank with [illegible] other countries, including Finland, Lesotho, Latvia, the Bahamas and Argentina.

In the third category of "economic participation and opportunity," the Philippines ranks [illegible] with a score of [illegible]. In this category, countries are evaluated based on gaps between men and women in terms of work participation, remuneration and advancement opportunities.

Government positions

In the fourth category of "political empowerment," the Philippines ranks [illegible] with a score of [illegible]. Countries are evaluated in this category based on the gap between men and women in ratio of women-to-men ratio in government positions.

The world has made great progress in eliminating inequality between men and women in health and education, but not in economic participation and political empowerment, the WEF said.

But no country has closed the gap between men and women when it comes to health and survival, educational attainment, economic participation and opportunity and political empowerment.

The annual survey released at a press conference, showed that over the past six years about [illegible] percent of countries have narrowed the gender gap. But in other countries the gap widened and the situation for women worsened, including in Nigeria, Mali, Colombia, Vanuatu and El Salvador.

Pakistan, Chad and Yemen were at the bottom of the list.

Huge gap in empowerment

Saadia Zahidi, head of the forum's women leaders and gender parity program, said the world as a whole had closed about [illegible] percent of the gender gap in health and [illegible] percent in education—but only about [illegible] percent of the gap in economic participation and less than [illegible] percent in political empowerment.

"So women are starting to be as healthy and as educated as men, and yet, are not being channeled into the economy, into decision-making structures," she said.

Zahidi said closing the gender gaps "are directly correlated with increased economic competitiveness."

With the world focused on job creation and economic growth, she said, "gender equality is the key to unlocking potential and stimulating economies."

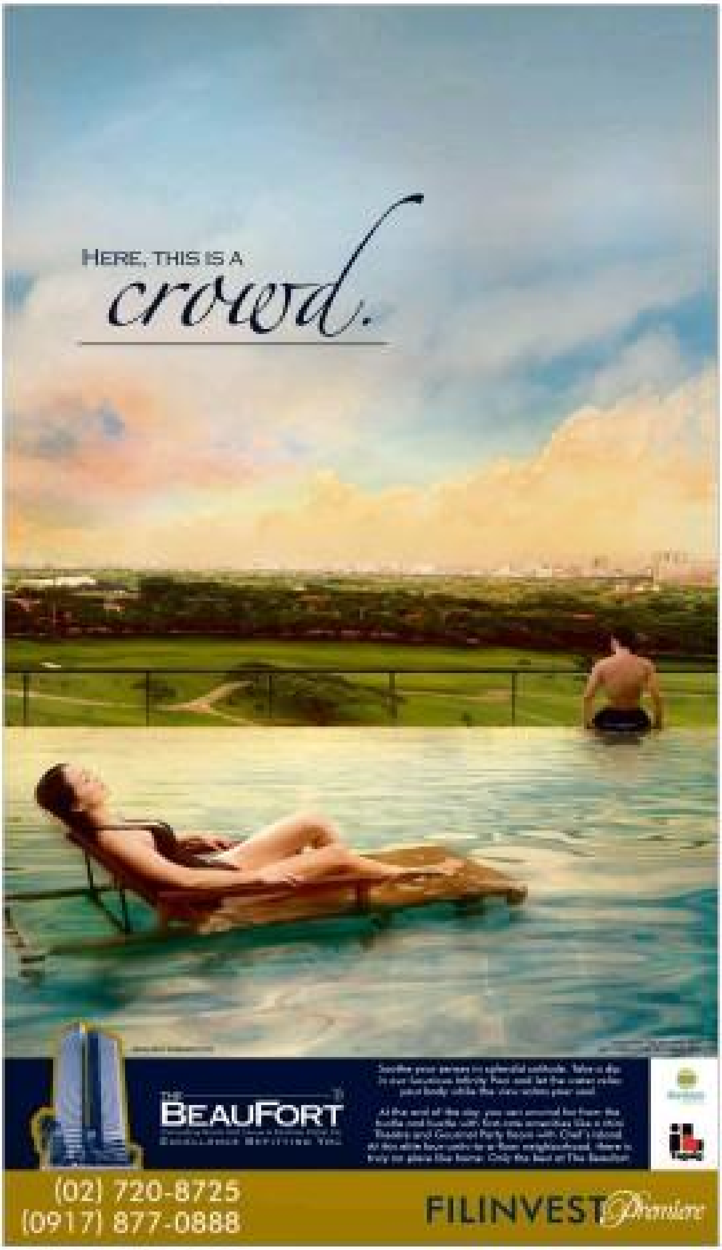
Major strides

The survey shows that a number of relatively poor countries have made major strides to close the gender gap and rank in the top [illegible]—the Philippines, Lesotho, South Africa, Cuba, the Bahamas and Namibia. They outrank Russia at number 43, China at [illegible], Brazil at 82, Italy at 74, Qatar at 111, India at 113 and Saudi Arabia at 131.

US Ambassador at large Melanne Verveer, who is in charge of global women's issues, said progress was being made, but women still faced "significant hurdles" in getting access to finance, markets and training and in leading companies where there is still "an enormous glass ceiling."

WEF is an international organization of large and multinational companies, mostly with annual turnover of $5 billion. It discusses various economic and social issues affecting development. *With a report from AP*





OPINION

7 billion and counting

EDITORIAL



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Randy David

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Antonio Santos; 55

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New policies eyed for departing OFWs

Across the NATION



Cable cars way to go for farmers, goods in 100 sites



MILF, Kato clash in Maguindanao town

COTABATO CITY—Members of the Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF) clashed with their erstwhile comrades in a Maguindanao town, sending residents fleeing and leaving behind a still undetermined number of casualties, the military said yesterday.

Elders back bells' return to Bulacan town church



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Farm also grows hope for drug addicts

By Jonas Cabiles Soltes
Milagros, Masbate

IN A MASBATE town named after miracles, Randy, 40, and Louie, 21, are dead-set on becoming miracle workers themselves.



AFTER BEING cured of drug addiction, Randy returns to Fazenda da Esperança (Farm of Hope) in Milagros town in Masbate to serve as a volunteer worker.

Mental hospital

Close to a miracle

Football dream

Breaking ties

No real ending yet to search for Bicol patriot's remains

By Jonas Cabiles Soltes



WENCESLAO Q. VINZONS: Bicol freedom fighter

BICOL'S freedom fighter, Wenceslao Q. Vinzons, was executed by Japanese soldiers in 1942 while World War II was raging in the Philippines and the rest of Southeast Asia and the Pacific, but his remains have yet to be found, according to the National Historical Institute.

Obligation

1972 exhumation

Exhumation

Dental records

IN THE KNOW



DEATH IN THE FAMILY



PALLBEARERS

Revillas say police findings 'unbelievable'

'They're innocent'

'Tough for them'

'Investigate properly'

Money never issue for Revilla's horde of children

'Can afford it'

Donated land

Finance man

Children's names posted

Charice seeks justice for pa; police offer ₱200K reward

By Tina G. Santos

Appearance canceled

Suspect

Reward for arrest

Violence separated parents

Teared out

Apology to fans

Ligots: We, hiding? Post bail fresh from out-of-town 'vacation'

Somewhere in Luzon

Case for evading arrest?

₱428M in unpaid taxes

Tanned and poker-faced

'No one believed he was Charice's father'



GREAT BUT SHORT Charice Pempengco, flanked by two burly bodyguards, goes straight from the airport to view the remains of her father midnight on Tuesday at the Divine Mercy Viewing Chapel, in Muntinlupa City

Signs of mental illness

Auditions

Patched things up

Mixed reactions

Appeal to fans

Daughter's gesture

'Praise God,' US doctors separate conjoined twins



HAPPY FAMILY The Sabuco family is shown in this February 2011 family photo released to Reuters on Nov. 1, 2011.

Happy, healthy set

Just a long scar

Recovery

SPORTS

Manotoc confident of all-rookie men's golf team



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Azkals kick off PH campaign vs Viets

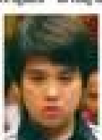
Indonesian VP predicts runaway win for host

2 SSC stars miss cut to Jakarta

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Amit, 2 other Pinoys down foes



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Red Cubs shoot for 19th title

Alaska checks slide, spills Barako Bull



By June Navarro

Gems, Superchargers target top spot

Call a (basketball) doctor very quick

BARE EYE

Recah Trinidad



Epoy Alcantara; 65

Alabang keeps WGAP crown



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NO PROBABLE CAUSE FOUND TO PIN DOWN NEWBIE TV TALENT, 3 COMPANIONS

Drug charges junked vs actor

THE DEPARTMENT of Justice (DOJ) has dismissed for lack of probable cause drug charges filed against an aspiring TV actor and three of his friends who were arrested last month during a drug buy-bust operation in Antipolo City.

Cleared were Wyn Osoño, 21, who appears in the GMA 7 drama series "Sinner or Saint," and his fellow "Starstruck" talent search contestant, Jericho Rosales, 21.

DRUG A20



HOUNDS of trash litter the grounds of Manila North Cemetery the day after All Saints' Day, drawing the ire of members of EcoWaste Coalition who called on cemetery goers to dispose of their trash properly.

Eco watchdog trains guns on 'zombasura'

BLAME it on the "zombasura" in all of us.

The word (a combination of zombie and basura or trash) was coined yesterday by environmental watchdog EcoWaste Coalition to describe cemetery goers who turn into mindless litterbugs whenever they visit their dearly departed.

In a statement, the group said it was dismayed over the truckloads of garbage collected from cemeteries in Metro Manila the day after All Saints' Day.

According to Manila Department of Public Services Director Carlos Baltazar, around 280 truckloads of garbage have been collected from the Manila North and South cemeteries since Saturday. At the Chinese cemetery, the trash left by visitors was enough to fill up 50 garbage trucks.

"While the volume of trash may or may not be as bad as in previous years, we still find the littering that again marred the observance of Undas regrettable. Cemeteries are hallowed places where the earthly remains of our deceased loved ones are to

ECO WATCHDOG A20

Renovation of public cemetery draws flak



Eco watchdog …

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2 suicides on All Saints' Day

Missing: Have you seen Mark?



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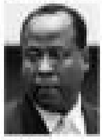
Desperate measures: Syria plants land mines on border



Safe haven

Playing on fears

MJ's doctor avoids grilling, won't testify



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Warned by judge

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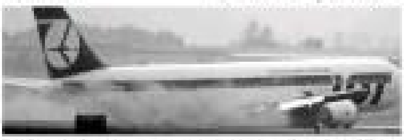
Post-tsunami Japan back to nuke

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The WORLD



Greece PM reaps anger over surprise euro bailout vote

ATHENS, Greece—Greece's prime minister held firm early on Wednesday to his shock decision to call for a referendum on a hard-fought European debt deal, despite anger from abroad, market turmoil across the world and dissent from within his own party.


PAPANDREOU

The dilemma

50-percent losses

Thailand floods' deadly current: 36 electrocuted



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High power rates force exporters to relocate

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Local firms consider moving to China, Vietnam

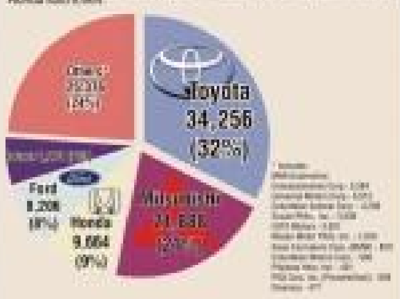
EXPORTERS currently holding fort in the Philippines are now looking at moving to China or Vietnam as high electricity rates in the country cause them to lose their competitive edge in the global market.

91-day T-bill yield rises to 0.919%

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Figures that matter in our nation's life

One in every three vehicles sold from Toyota (Jan to Sept 2011)



Kate Pedroso Inquirer Research

Meralco raises 2011 net income target to P14.5B

Group to audit oil firms' books

Greek worry revives risk aversion



Citi names top stock picks

EDC, MPIC, ALI, BDO, AGI on short list

By Doris C. Dumlao

GLOBAL banking giant Citigroup sees selective opportunities in the Philippine stock market and is particularly upbeat on consumer and infrastructure issues.

Citi's top five stock picks are Energy Development Corp., Metro Pacific Investments Corp., Ayala Land Inc., Banco de Oro and Alliance Global Group Inc., according to the Oct. 31 equities research written by a team led by Citibank Philippines head of research Minda Olonan and economist Jun Trinidad.

"We favor liquid stocks which have been relative underperformers through the recent downturn and have dominant industry positions and are leveraged on domestic consumption and infra themes," the research said.

Citi believes that while the Philippines would not be spared from a global downturn, it could still eke out a modest economic growth of 3.7 percent this year and 3.5 percent next year.

The factors seen moderating downside risks in the Philippines were the following: strong reserve position; stable domestic-consumer spending, remittance flows and lower inflation pressures, an improving fiscal position; abundant onshore liquidity; healthy banking and corporate sector; and stable political environment.

With a much better macroeconomic picture than during the last global recession in 2008, the bank said in the research that there would be limited downside risks to its expected Philippine corporate earnings growth of 8.7 percent this year and 13.6 percent next year.

Taking into account higher risk-aversion conditions, Citi sees the Philippine Stock Exchange index trading in line with the historical mean of 14.7 times expected 2012 earnings or at about 4,800.

On its top stock picks, Citi noted that EDC was the country's largest geothermal producer and the only listed pure renewable energy player. It also sees potential upside from EDC's new projects such as wind power generation and overseas ventures and cites its healthy free cash flows and manageable debt level.

MPIC was cited as a play on the infrastructure theme. Citi cited MPIC's solid existing businesses, noting that this was the country's largest toll-road operator, sole water distributor in west zone of Metro Manila and owner of Manila Electric Co., the country's largest electric distribution utility.

Citi sees upside from MPIC's potential expansion and acquisition plans as well as healthy and improving cash flows of subsidiaries.

The research said ALI was "the biggest integrated Philippine property company, professional management with reputation of strong corporate governance; improving margins due to cost-cutting initiatives, improving returns on equity from diversification across market segments (commercial, high-rise middle market residential market), business process outsourcing offices) and geographical expansion.

BDO was cited as the largest commercial bank with a dominant market share in the corporate and consumer-lending fields and a strong retail deposit franchise.

AGI was cited as a first mover in the country's budding gaming industry and one of the leading property developers. Citi said it has been able to leverage on the growing synergies of its leisure and tourism-related operations while holdings in food liquor (Emperador) and fast-food network McDonald's were a play on consumption.

Stocks down …

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worth around P514 million.

PLDT, EDC, SCB, Metrobank, URC, SM Investments, Philex, DMCI, SM Prime, BPI, ALI, Security Bank, Manila Mining A, Digital, Lepanto A, ICTSI and BDO fell in heavy trade.

ISM Communications and Ever Holdings were among the few that bucked the day's downturn.

On Tuesday, the closely watched Dow Jones industrial index slid 297.05 points or 2.48 percent to 11,657.96. *Doris C. Dumlao*

Meralco raises …

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and cost competitiveness of its own supply agreements. This is being done through a wholly owned subsidiary Meralco PowerGen Corp.

The first of these power facilities will be the 600-megawatt coal-fired plant in Zambales which it is building in partnership with Aboitiz Power Corp. and the local unit of Taiwan Cogeneration International Corp.

Group to audit …

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tion communications at Pilipinas Shell, earlier said that the additional review would hopefully put to rest fears of the public that oil companies were taking advantage of the volatility in the global oil market through overpriced or unjustified pump prices.

It is also hoped that with the probe, people would have a better understanding of the downstream oil industry, he added.

The FPP stressed, however, that any addition of review should have well-defined objectives, taking into consideration the views and opinions of various sectors with emphasis on protecting the balanced interests of both the consumers and the oil industry. *Amy R. Remo*

PHILIPPINE STOCK EXCHANGE

CURRENCIES

November 1, 2011

Country	Unit	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
United States	Dollar	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Japan	Yen	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
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Hong Kong	Dollar	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
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Thailand	Baht	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
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Zamboanga open pit mining ban challenged

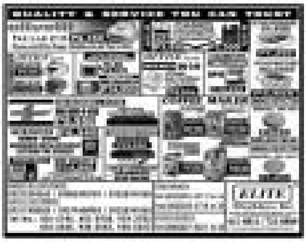
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Opening of Eligibility Requirement Documents, Technical and Financial Proposals	November 25, 2011 (Friday) at 10:30 a.m.	3rd Floor, DBP Building, J. C. Aquino Avenue, Butuan City

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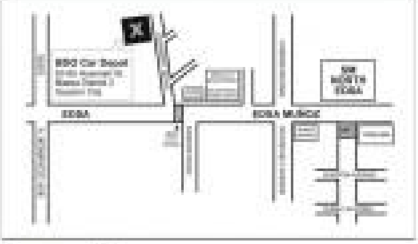
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Chairman – Bids and Awards Committee



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passed away peacefully in the grace of our Lord on October 31, 2011 at the age of 72.

His bereaved wife **Leticia Mariano**, sons **Clarence Darrow**, **Emmanuel**, **Jose Numeriano**, **Amapuri** and **Macario**; and daughter **Madalaine Jorja** request readers to pray for the eternal repose of his soul.

His remains lie in state at Holy Trinity Memorial Chapels, Dr. A. Santos Ave., Sucat, Parañaque City.

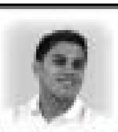
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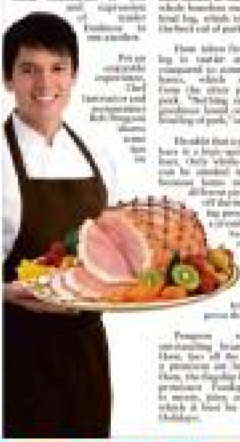


Power Situation Outlook

Paxys sells 35% stake in call center company

PAXYS INC., a publicly listed holding firm for business process outsourcing firms, sold its entire 35-percent stake in local call center WNS Philippines Inc. to its foreign partner, WNS Global Services Netherlands Cooperative UA.

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What to eat—and what not to—to fit into your dress 3 days before a party

Raw salads, beans, apple and grapes, alcohol—they distend and bloat your body

KITCHEN RESCUE



Reggie Aspiras

THE HOLIDAY season means the abundance of food, the lack of self-control and so many parties that leave us with no choice but to stuff, somehow, try to fit into our clothes even after days of overeating.

How do I fit into my dress in three days? That seems like the appropriate distress call during this time of year, one that I made to Nadine a week ago.

According to Nadine Tengco, a US certified fitness nutrition, ex-chef and weight-loss specialist, it is possible.

"Try to avoid foods that cause inflammation, those that bloat you, ones high in sodium and very high in fiber," she recommends. [illegible]

- Cabbage, broccoli, cauliflower—vegetables that belong to the cruciferous group (cabbage family). Though good for you, they're too high in fiber, which causes stomach distension.
- Raw salads. Though a healthy option, they are also high in fiber and cause stomach distension. What we want is a flat belly.
- All raw vegetables in general during the next 48-72 hours prior to the party. [illegible]
- All beans, legumes, nuts, [illegible]
- Apples, pears, grapes. Good, but they will bloat you.
- Cola. Anything with fizz or soda gas will bloat you for sure.
- Gluten foods. [illegible]
- Dairy. [illegible]
- Alcohol.
- Food with artificial preservatives—[illegible]

[illegible]

In summary, many types of food, though healthy and very good for you, distend the stomach temporarily. So KEEP THEM to your regular diet BUT AVOID 48-72 HOURS BEFORE the day you need to look hot in your party dress.

Alternatives

- Ginger. [illegible]
- Coffee and tea—but in moderation. [illegible]
- Lots of water, since it aids in flushing and stops the bloating.
- Buko juice—but don't overdo it. [illegible]
- Non-deep-fried food. All types of cooking methods are okay except deep-fried.
- Rice. [illegible]

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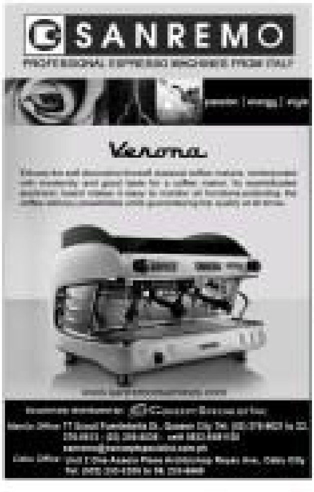
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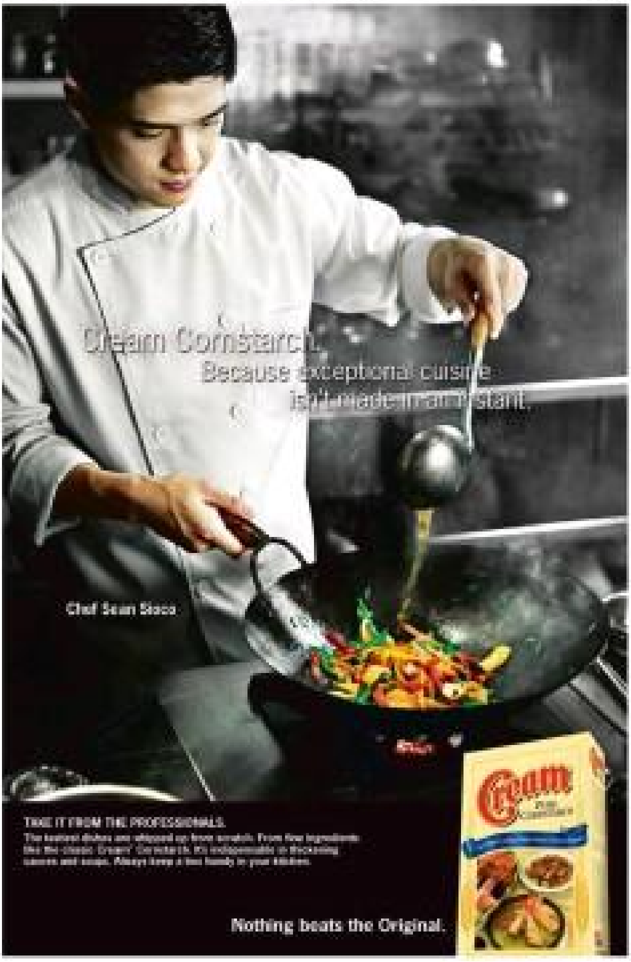
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WHAT TO EAT C4



FITNESS nutritionist-chef and weight-loss specialist Nadine Tengco





Not your usual Japanese restaurant

Word of Mouth



Sandy Daza

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Good place

[illegible]

Succulent

[illegible]

Top Pinoy resto for tourists and travelers

[illegible]

Fried 'suman at tsokolate'

[illegible]

All-beef festival

[illegible]

Cocktails

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Sweet Carolina Ribs

[illegible]

Steaks with secret sauce

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'Ube-malunggay' loaf

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Dining Out

STEAMED FISH FILLET WITH VEGETABLES

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SEAFOOD BOIL

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GOURMET COMBO MEALS

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'ADOBO' BROWN RICE

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CUMIN PORK RIBS

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CRISPY Pla-Pla with Mustasa at Buro

Benny's Café turns a year old

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PINAKBET Rice with Chicharon

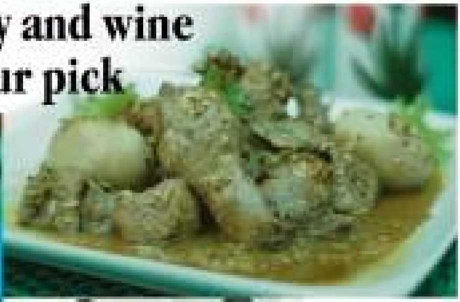
'Great wine . . .'

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'Adobo' with milk, honey and wine or oyster sauce–take your pick



CHICKEN Adobo sa Gata, (right) Chicken and Pork Adobo with Egg and White Wine





ADOBO aficionados: Clarita Bernardo, Rudy Milay, Vicky Fuentes and Precy Bernardino



Food and friendship

Pork Adobo with Oyster Sauce

Pork Adobo with Evaporated Milk

Chicken and Pork Adobo with Egg and White Wine

Chicken Adobo sa Gata

'Great wine is a sensory thing'



FIFTH-GENERATION vineyard owner Bill Hardy

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By Pocholo Concepcion

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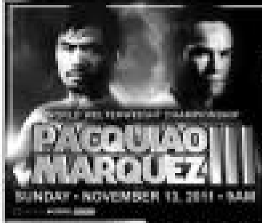
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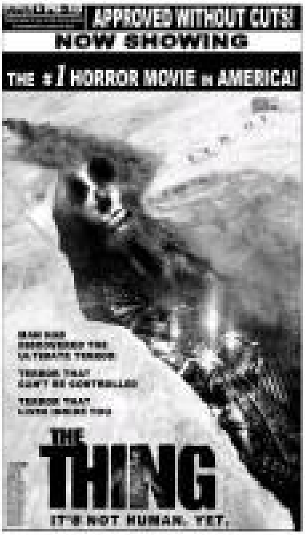
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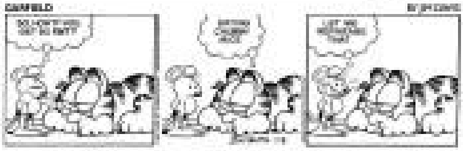








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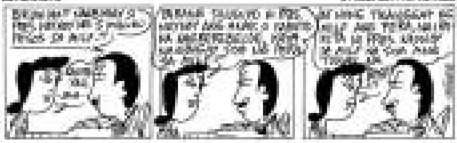
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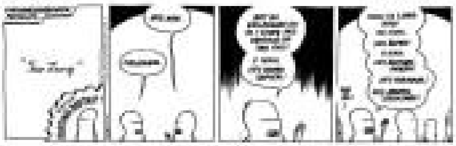
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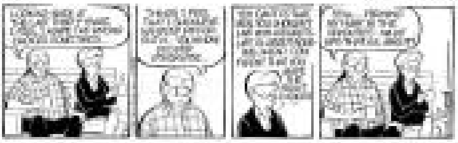
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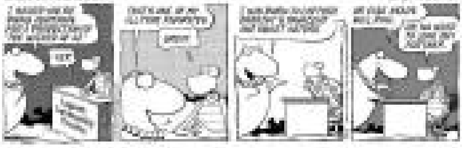
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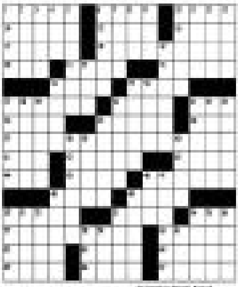
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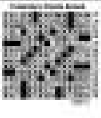
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French firm picks up 'Busong'

CHEER FACTOR

'Bisperas' wins in Tokyo

In the Black



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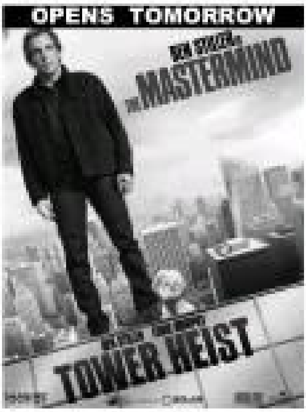


Pinoy puppetry...















Industry leaders support new TV ratings

By Marinel R. Cruz

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Joey Abacan, vice president for program management, GMA Network

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Christine Ona, ombudsman, head of legal division, TV5

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Edith Del Rosario, assistant general manager, RPN 9

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Mag Cruz Hatol, chair, Anak TV Inc.

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BONG Osorio



CHRISTINE Ona



JOEY Abacan



MAG Cruz Hatol

There's an app for that

BACKSTORY



Lea Salonga

[illegible]

> I've never met Steve Jobs, but I've been interacting with his toys for 18 years now

Not a cake

[illegible]

Recreational challenge

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